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Westminster, February 28.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes seated on the Throne, with the usual Solemnity, Sir William Oldes, Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to

An Act to enable His Majesty effectually to prohibit or restrain Commerce with Sweden.

Berlin, March 2. The 12 Battalions of Russians, which have been some Months in Mecklenbourg, having by Order from the Czar put themselves on the March, were on the 28th past to rendezvous at Waldeck on the Frontiers of that Country; so that 'tis believed they may by this Time have entred into Pomerania. The Affair of the Fiefs, tho' it has met with some Opposition from the Nobility, is in a fair Way of being settled to his Prussian Majesty's Satisfaction.

Dresden, March 3. By Letters from Warsaw of the 20th of last Month we had Advice, that there were fresh Disturbances in the Palatinate of Cracow. The Generals of the Crown and Dutchy being very much discontented at so large a Reduction of their Forces, and that Limitation of their Power, which are stipulated by the Treaty of Pacification; were supposed to foment the Disobedience of the Soldiery who refused to disband, in hopes the King for Quiet sake might be obliged to take them again into Pay. But by Advices of the 24th which came in Yesterday, we are assured that the Mutineers have been intirely reduced to Obedience by some Troops under the Command of Major General Mier. Letters from Great Poland of the 26th, say the Saxon Troops broke up from Meseritz on the 24th, to return into this Country, and are to be at Guben on the third Instant. The King of Poland being according to our last Advices in perfect Health, is expected here before the End of this Month. On the last Night of the Carnaval, His Majesty conferred the Order of Knighthood of the White Eagle on M. Wackerbaert.

Brussels, March 8. The Marquess de Prié having examined the Grievances complained of by the Magistrates of the City of Antwerp, has remitted the Arrears of two Years Subsidies, on Condition they make no further Difficulty to pay the Sum demanded of them for the present Year. There is little Likelihood yet that the Clergy of these Provinces will agree to make such a Free Gift to his Imperial Majesty, as is suitable to the Expectation and Occasions of the Court of Vienna, for carrying on the War against the Turks. The two Battallions of the Great Master of the Teutonick Order, which were quartered at Ruremonde, have passed through this Place, one to relieve the Regiment of Herberstein at Mons, the other to relieve that of Ligne at Aeth. On the Instances of the Marquess de Prié, the States of Flanders have advanced 200000 Florins to two Imperial Regiments which are ordered to march to Hungary.

Paris, March 6. The Peers of France have presented a Petition to the King, setting forth, that the Princes of the Blood having insisted on the Revocation of the Edict of July 1714, which made the Duke du Maine and the Count de Toulouse, and their Posterity, capable of succeeding to the Crown; and of the Declaration of May 1715, which conferred on them the Titles and Honours of Princes of the Blood; they (the Peers) desire, that his Majesty will not only be pleased to revoke the said Edict and Declaration, but also at the same Time to annul the Declaration of May 1694, which gave the Duke du Maine and the Count de Toulouse the first Rank after the Princes of the Blood, together with the Edict of May 1711 which vested them with the Right of representing the antient Peers at the Inauguration of our Kings in Default of the Princes of the Blood, and of taking their Seat in Parliament at the Age of 20 Years. All which Privileges conferred on these legitimated Princes, they represent as Violations of the fundamental Laws and Constitutions of this Kingdom, which they earnestly beseech the King to restore to the Force they had formerly, and to re-establish the antient good Order in the State. This Petition is signed by twenty six Peers, among others by the Dukes de Villeroy, de Noailles, de Villars, and de la Feuillade.